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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 28, 1999, please enter the following amendment and consider the remarks below:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (referring to pages and lines of the Substitute Specification filed on Oct. 14, 1999):

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 26 with the following paragraph:

- a register unit provided with at least two registers for storing the integer data words of eight bits or multiples of a bits on which the operation and/or pipeline multiplication has to be performed; and